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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 1

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, and for the purposes enunciated in paragraphs (d) and (e) thereof, the National Security Council hereby authorizes and directs that:

1. To maintain the relationship necessary to a fully coordinated Intelligence Community, * an Intelligence Advisory Committee consisting of the Director of Central Intelligence, who shall be chairman thereof, the intelligence chiefs of the Departments of State, Army, Navy, and Air Force and of the Joint Staff (JCS) and representatives of the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation and of the Atomic Energy Commission is established to advise the Director of Central Intelligence. The Director of Central Intelligence will invite the chief of any other agency having functions related to the national security to sit with

* The Intelligence Community includes the Central Intelligence Agency and the intelligence components of the Departments of State, Army, Navy and Air Force; the Joint Staff (JCS); the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and the Atomic Energy Commission.

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the Intelligence Advisory Committee whenever matters within the purview of his agency are to be discussed.

2. In carrying out the functions of the Central Intelligence Agency to advise and make recommendations to the National Security Council in matters concerning such intelligence activities of the departments and agencies of the Government as relate to the national security as directed by Section 102, (d), (1), of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, the Director of Central Intelligence shall transmit therewith a statement indicating the concurrence or non-concurrence of the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee: Provided, That when unanimity is not obtained among the military members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee, the Director of Central Intelligence shall refer the problem to the Secretary of Defense before presenting it to the National Security Council.

3. Recommendations transmitted by the Director of Central Intelligence shall, when approved by the National Security Council, issue as Council Directives to the Director

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of Central Intelligence. The respective intelligence chiefs shall be responsible for insuring that such Directives, when applicable, are implemented within their intelligence organization.

4. The Director of Central Intelligence shall act for the National Security Council to insure full and proper implementation of Council Directives by issuing such supplementary Director of Central Intelligence Directives as may be required. Such implementing directives in which the Intelligence Advisory Committee concurs unanimously shall be issued by the Director of Central Intelligence, and shall be implemented within the departments and agencies as provided in paragraph 3. Where disagreement arises between the Director of Central Intelligence and one or more members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee over such directives, the proposed directive, together with statements of non-concurrence, shall be forwarded to the National Security Council as provided in paragraph 2.

5. National intelligence is all intelligence which is required for the formulation of national security policy,

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concerns more than one department or agency, and transcends the exclusive competence of a single department or agency.

The Director of Central Intelligence shall produce national intelligence and disseminate it to the President, members of the National Security Council, members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee and, subject to existing statutes, to such other components of the Government as the National Security Council may from time to time designate or the Intelligence Advisory Committee recommends. Intelligence so produced shall have the concurrence of the agencies represented on the Intelligence Advisory Committee or shall carry a statement of substantially differing opinion.

6. Departmental intelligence is all intelligence which any department or agency requires to execute its own mission. Departmental intelligence may be disseminated in accordance with existing statutes and Presidential policy including that reflected in international agreements.

7. Insofar as practicable, in the fulfillment of their respective responsibilities for the production of intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency and the several Departments

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and Agencies shall not duplicate the intelligence activities and research of other Departments and Agencies and shall make full use of existing capabilities of the other members of the Intelligence Community.

8. The Director of Central Intelligence is authorized to disseminate National Intelligence on a strictly controlled basis to foreign governments and international bodies upon his determination with the concurrence of the Intelligence Advisory Committee, that such action would substantially promote the security of the United States: Provided, that such dissemination is consistent with existing statutes and Presidential policy including that reflected in international agreements; and provided further that any disclosure of FBI intelligence information will be cleared with that agency prior to dissemination.

9. Whenever any member of the Intelligence Advisory Committee obtains information which indicates an impending crisis situation, such as any outbreak of hostilities or other condition which affects the security of the United States to such an extent that immediate action or decision by the President or the National Security Council seems to be

required, he shall immediately transmit the information to the Director of Central Intelligence and the other members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee as well as to other officials or agencies as may be indicated by the circumstances. The Director of Central Intelligence shall, in consultation with the Intelligence Advisory Committee, immediately prepare and disseminate as appropriate the national intelligence estimate of the situation, in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraphs 5 and 8 above.

10. In accordance with policies, procedures and practices established by the Director of Central Intelligence under procedures described in paragraph 4 above, the intelligence components of the Departments and Agencies of the Government shall maintain a continuing interchange of intelligence, intelligence information, and other information which has utility for intelligence purposes.

11. In accordance with policies, procedures and practices established by the Director of Central Intelligence under procedures described in paragraph 4 above, the intelligence organizations of the Government shall, within the limits of their capabilities, produce or procure such

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intelligence, intelligence information, and other information which has utility for intelligence purposes as may be requested by the Director of Central Intelligence or by one of the other Departments or Agencies.

12. In view of his statutory responsibility for protecting intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure, the Director of Central Intelligence shall, in consultation with the intelligence components of the Departments and Agencies and the Intelligence Advisory Committee, insure the development of policies, procedures, and practices for such protection and for the enforcement thereof except where provision has already been made by the National Security Council or statute.

13. In view of the fact that under certain circumstances publicity relating to intelligence activities may be harmful, all member agencies of the Intelligence Advisory Committee shall establish appropriate policies and procedures with regard to such publicity. The head of each Department or Agency shall establish appropriate policies and procedures to prevent the unauthorized disclosure from within his agency of intelligence information or activity.

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14. To the extent authorized by paragraph (e) and for the purposes recited in paragraphs (d) (1) and (2) of Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, the Director of Central Intelligence, or representatives designated by him, in consultation with the head of the intelligence component of the Department or Agency concerned, shall make such surveys of departmental intelligence activities of the various Departments and Agencies as he may deem necessary in connection with his duty to advise the National Security Council and to coordinate the intelligence effort of the United States.

15. The Director of Central Intelligence shall make arrangements with the Departments and Agencies for the assignment to the Central Intelligence Agency of such experienced and qualified personnel as may be of advantage for advisory, operational, or other purposes. In order to facilitate the performance of their respective intelligence missions, the Departments and Agencies concerned shall, by agreement, provide each other with such mutual assistance as may be within their capabilities and as may

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be required in the interests of the Intelligence Community for reasons of economy, efficiency, or operational necessity. Primary departmental requirements shall be recognized and shall receive the cooperation and support of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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